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- (A) This declaration is for an original application.
- (B) My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name.
- (C) I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:
"Plant Polymorphic Markers and Uses Thereof",
the specification of which was filed on March 12, 2001 as Serial No. 09/803,736 and identified by attorney docket No. 16517.007/38-10(15493)D.
- (D) I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.
- (E) I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.
- (F) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 that became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national filing date of this application.

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